

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image-forming apparatus comprising:
a plurality of processing modules;
job registering means capable of registering a plurality of jobs;
determining means for determining maintenance availability of each of the plurality of processing modules based on contents of a job presently in execution and contents of jobs registered in the job registering means;
and
displaying means for displaying determined results of the determining means.
2. An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the displaying means displays the determined result of the determining means every one of the processing modules.
3. An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the displaying means displays the determined result of the determining means every one of maintenance items.
4. An image-forming apparatus comprising:
a plurality of processing modules;
job registering means capable of registering a

plurality of jobs;

calculating means for calculating an available period of time for maintenance every one of the processing modules based on contents of a job presently in execution and contents of jobs registered in the job registering means; and

displaying means for displaying the available period of time every one of the processing modules calculated by the calculating means.

5. An apparatus according to Claim 4, wherein the displaying means displays the available period of time for maintenance calculated by the calculating means every one of the processing modules.

6. An apparatus according to Claim 4, wherein the displaying means displays the available period of time for maintenance calculated by the calculating means every one of maintenance items.

7. An apparatus according to Claim 4, further comprising:

determining means for determining presence of change in the available period of time for maintenance when cancellation is produced in the jobs registered in the job

registering means during maintenance; and

warning means for issuing a warning if the available period of time for maintenance of the processing module during maintenance is changed.

8. An apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein the warning means displays information that the available period of time for maintenance of the processing module during maintenance is changed in the displaying means.

9. An apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein the warning means issues a warning sound that the available period of time for maintenance of the processing module during maintenance is changed.

10. An apparatus according to Claim 3, wherein the maintenance items are displayed by putting them in order of maintenance necessity.

11. An apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein the maintenance items are displayed by putting them in order of maintenance necessity.

12. An apparatus according to Claim 3, wherein the maintenance items are displayed by putting them in order of

brevity of maintenance working hours.

13. An apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein the maintenance items are displayed by putting them in order of brevity of maintenance working hours.